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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on July 14, 2005, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner a Chinese Office Action dated December 8, 2006, with respect to patent family member Chinese Patent Application No. 2004800010578, in which the following document was cited:

(1) U.S. Patent No. 4,211,919.

The relevance of this document, as ascertained with respect to the Chinese claims by the Chinese Examiner, is set forth in the Chinese Office Action.

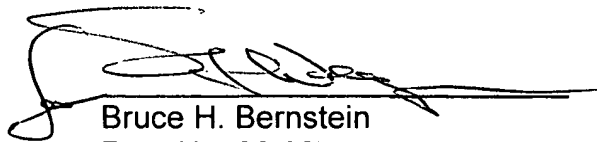
Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), a copy of the U.S. Patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. The above-noted document is listed on an attached PTO-1449 Form. A copy of the Chinese Office Action and English language translation thereof is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants submit that no fee is required to be paid to ensure consideration of the cited materials, as no action on the merits has issued in the present application. However, if an action on the merits crosses in the mail, Applicants hereby certify that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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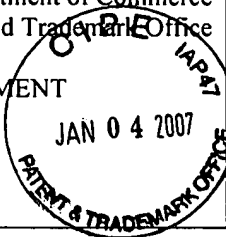
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